

CLAIMS

We claim:

~~1. A method for inhibiting the growth of *Staphylococcus aureus* on infants comprising the step of:~~

~~diapering the infant with a diaper comprising an effective amount of an antimicrobial compound selected from the group consisting of tetrahydroiso-alpha acids, hexahydro-beta acids, and mixtures thereof.~~

2. The method of claim 1, wherein said diaper is a disposable diaper.

3. The method of claim 2, wherein said compound is applied to the diaper dissolved in a liquid selected from the group consisting of water, alcohols, propylene glycol, glycerine, polyglycols, and mixtures thereof.

~~4. A diaper containing an antimicrobial compound selected from the group consisting of tetrahydroiso-alpha acids, hexahydro-beta acids, and mixtures thereof.~~

5. The diaper of claim 4, wherein said antimicrobial compound is present in sufficient quantity to inhibit the growth of *Staphylococcus aureus* in liquids with which it is in contact.

~~6. A cleansing wet wipe comprising an antimicrobial compound selected from the group consisting of tetrahydroiso-alpha acids, hexahydro-beta acids, and mixtures thereof, in a liquid selected from the group consisting of water, alcohols, propylene glycol, glycerine, polyglycols, and mixtures thereof.~~

7. The cleansing wet wipe of claim 6, wherein said compound is present in sufficient quantity to inhibit the growth of *Staphylococcus aureus* in liquids with which it is in contact.

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